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SUBJECT: US-CANADA BILATERAL ENERGY MEETING, MARCH 17

REF: OTTAWA 679

1. AT US-CANADIAN TRANSIT PIPELINE MEETING MARCH 6, MCDUGALL (EXTAFF) GAVE US DRAFT AGENDA FOR BILATERAL MEETING ON OTHER ENERGY PROBLEMS FOR OUR COMMENT AND SUGGESTED ADVANCING DATE OF MEETING TO MARCH 17 IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE ADVISED CANADIAN EMBASSY HERE THAT DATE IS ACCEPTABLE.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING PROPOSED AGENDA TO MCDUGALL (THERE ARE SLIGHT DIFFERENCES FROM VERSION PROVIDED CANADIAN EMBASSY WEDNESDAY):
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I. CANADIAN OIL SUPPLY SITUATION AND EXPORT POSITION

- A) SHORT TERM
- B) MEDIUM TERM
- C) LONG TERM

(WE HOPE CANADIAN DELEGATION WOULD BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE DETAILED RUNDOWN ON PROJECTED SUPPLY SITUATION OVER NEXT 1-2 YEARS UNDER (A), TO DISCUSS IMPACT OF NEB OIL HEARINGS NEXT MONTH AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TAR SANDS DEVELOP-

MENT UNDER (B), AND TO DISCUSS LONGER-TERM SUPPLY PROSPECTS FROM FRONTIER AREAS UNDER (C).)

II. POSSIBLE SHORT AND LONG TERM ARRANGEMENTS TO ALLEVIATE SUPPLY DIFFICULTIES OF REFINERIES TRADITIONALLY DEPENDENT ON CANADIAN OIL ARISING FROM CANADA'S DECISION TO PHASE OUT EXPORTS TO THE U.S. BY 1983.

A) PARAMETERS OR GENERAL PRINCIPLES WHICH MIGHT APPLY TO SUCH SWITCHING ARRANGEMENTS

B) TECHNICAL OR OTHER CONSTRAINTS

(WE WOULD ENVISAGE PRESENTATION BY US DELEGATION ON ESTIMATED IMPACT OF REDUCTION IN CANADIAN EXPORTS IN VARIOUS REGIONS AND POSSIBLE SWITCHING ARRANGEMENTS THAT MIGHT BE CONSIDERED.)

III. CANADIAN GAS SUPPLY SITUATION AND EXPORT PROSPECTS

A) SITUATION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

(WE WOULD HOPE CANADIAN DELEGATION WILL BE IN POSITION TO DISCUSS THIS INFORMALLY, ALTHOUGH WE REALIZE NEB HEARINGS MAY RESTRICT ITS ABILITY TO DO SO.)

IV. SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION FOR COAL IN THE U.S.

- A) SHORT TERM
- B) LONG TERM

(AT REQUEST OF HOPPER (EM&R) IN CONVERSATION WITH KATZ ON MARCH 11, US WILL BE PREPARED MAKE PRESENTATION ON COAL SUPPLY PROSPECTS. WE PRESUME CANADIANS HAVE PROBLEMS THEY WISH TO RAISE IN THIS AREA.)

V. OTHER BUSINESS

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A) FOLLOW ON ARRANGEMENTS AND MEETINGS AT TECHNICAL LEVEL TO EXPLORE PARAMETERS AND CONSTRAINTS UNDER II.

B) PRESS GUIDANCE - AS WAS CASE WITH PIPELINE MEETING, WE PRESUME THERE WILL BE FAIR AMOUNT INTEREST THIS MEETING BY CANADIAN PRESS. WE HAVE ALREADY INDICATED TO CANADIAN EMBASSY POSSIBILITY THAT BACKGROUND BRIEFINGS IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS MAY BE BEST WAY TO HANDLE THIS. WE WILL ALSO PREPARE DRAFT JOINT STATEMENT

WHICH COULD BE USED.

3. IN PARA 2 REFTTEL, SHOYAMA EXPRESSED HOPE EXPLORE
VARIETY OF ISSUES RELATED TO IEA. WE DO NOT BELIEVE
THIS FORUM WOULD BE APPROPRIATE PLACE TO DO THIS, BUT
ARE PREPARED ARRANGE FOR SEPARATE MEETINGS FOR HIM
AND OTHERS ON THIS IF DESIRED. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND
NAMES OF MEMBERS CANADIAN DELEGATION BY FRIDAY. INGERSOLL

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